

CITY OF HARTWELL  
CALLED MEETING  
September 19, 2016

The Hartwell Mayor and Council met in special called session at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, September 19, 2016 in the council chambers of Hartwell City Hall. All members were present except Councilman Mike MacNabb.

Mayor Brandon Johnson called the meeting to order and stated the purpose of the meeting was to discuss a proposed agreement between the City and Hart County Water and Sewer Utility Authority.

Mayor Johnson reported that personnel changes had occurred at the Hart County Water & Sewer Authority (HCWSA), and the City had been approached by HCWSA for possible assistance from the City in operating the Authority's water distribution system.

City Manager David Aldrich explained that he and Public Works Director Dennis White looked into long term and short term options regarding assisting with the Authority's water system, and based upon assumptions, three options were prepared for consideration to be presented to the Authority. As the City Manager stated that Option #1 was his preference, Council questioned some of the language in the proposal. As this proposal stated that the City would operate the system for a fee of \$3500 per month, except for operation of a few other things, Councilmen Hicks and Haynie voiced concern of the word "except." They felt the language should clarify everything included in the fee, and what would be additional fees for other responsibilities.

It was stated by Councilman Hicks that although the City's proposals to manage the HCWSA's water distribution system made good sense, he wished to make it clear that keeping the Authority was vital and the City Council never wanted to do away with the Authority.

Following considerable discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Hicks to present the proposed three options to the HCWSA and express the City's desire to continue to assist them and maintain their water distribution system and work toward an Intergovernmental Agreement. Motion was seconded by Councilman Haynie and carried unanimously. Councilman Hicks further stated that he would work with the City Manager in tweaking language in the proposal as discussed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Turner  
City Clerk

